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61-YEAR-OLD TEXAS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO TRAVELING TO ARIZONA TO HAVE SEXUAL INTERCOURSE WITH 7-YEAR-OLD CHILD

PHOENIX, ARIZONA -- The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona announced that on February 20, 2004, David Jackson Donan, D.O.B. 11/23/42, who has residences in Austin, Texas and San Diego, California, pled guilty to Travel with Intent to Engage in Sexual Conduct with a Minor, in federal district court in Phoenix, Arizona.

David Donan had been charged with violating Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 2423(b), Travel with Intent to Engage in Sexual Conduct with a Minor. The investigation revealed that from on or about September 18, 2003 to October 20, 2003, the defendant had been communicating via the Internet with an undercover police officer, who was then purporting to be an adult woman with a 7-year-old daughter. Through Internet communications, the defendant indicated that he wanted to have sexual relations with the woman and her child. The defendant gave instructions to the woman as to how to "train" her child for sexual contact with him. The defendant then made plans to travel from Texas to Phoenix for the purpose of having

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sex with the child. On October 20, 2003, the defendant traveled to Phoenix and was arrested. The defendant

had in his possession numerous items of sexual paraphernalia, some intended for the 7-year-old child.

The plea calls for a stipulated sentence of 70 to 87 months in prision. The defendant may also be

placed on lifetime supervised release. Sentencing is set before Judge Carroll on May 10th, 2004 at 11:30 am.

The investigation in this case was conducted by Phoenix Police Department and the Federal Bureau

of Investigations.

The prosecution is being handled by Sharon K. Sexton, Assistant United States Attorney, District

of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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